

W. H. C. Folsom House.
Taylors Falls, Minn.
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Taylors Falls, Chisago County
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Owner: Heirs of W.H.C.Folsom.

Date of Erection: 1854.

Architect and Builder: No record.

Number of Stories: Two.

Present Condition: Good.

Materials of Construction: Wood.

Other Existing Records: None.

Additional Data: See following page.

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HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL NOTES:

The house was built in 1854 by William H.C. Folsom and carpenters who came from Maine. The land grant was received from Franklin Pierce. It is the oldest house now standing in Taylor's Falls, and was made from lumber sawn in Taylor's Falls mill.

The design is straightforward and simple, based on older colonial work. In the gables are quarter round fan louvres. The stairway is five and a half feet wide, and steep.

Mr. Folsom was a representative of the Minnesota legislature. He was co-author of the Minnesota School Fund, and author of "50 Years in the Northwest". The house has been continuously owned by the Folsom family and is now the property of the heirs of Mr. Folsom.

Sources: The two daughters of Mr. Folsom: Mrs. Murdoch of Taylors Falls and Miss Mamie Folsom of 4612 Pleasant Avenue, Minneapolis.

Wm. G. Dorr
District Officer

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